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**Title: METHOD OF EMBEDDING DIGITAL
WATERMARK, STORAGE MEDIUM IN WHICH
THE METHOD IS STORED, METHOD OF
IDENTIFYING EMBEDDED DIGITAL
WATERMARK, AND APPARATUS FOR
EMBEDDING DIGITAL WATERMARK**

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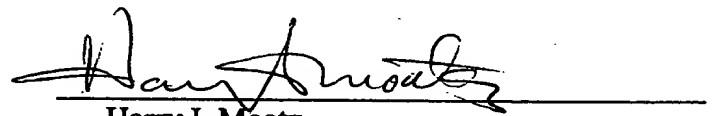
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